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## WHY NOT TAG OHIO BACHELORS?

A great many State legislatures have given consideration to bills taxing bachelors and many convincing arguments have been presented why men who escape matrimony should pay a penalty, but why not tag them as a more painless and effective method of extermination? If the bachelors were tagged the widows could easily find them and cupid would do the rest. The bachelor is naturally timid, but under the encouraging influences of a merry widow he can easily be led to the altar, for there is no more helpless craft afloat than a lovesick swain who has passed the age of discretion, and the little imp that plays the ping-pong with human hearts has no more capable ally than a woman who loves at second sight, for experience makes Cupid subtle and bold.

The women have tag days to promote most every other public enterprise, and why not a tag day for the bachelors? We have in Ohio approximately one hundred and ninety thousand bachelors and an equal number of widows. Why not get them together and solve two vexatious problems with one marriage license?

## FACING MEAT FAMINE

Economic experts of the Federal Government are giving the high cost of living problem thoughtful consideration and are investigating the high price of meat. Of the meat producing animals of the United States, it has been found that there has been a decrease of 4,183,000 head and an increase of \$176,520,000 in value during the past year. On January 1, 1914, the herd numbered 144,507,000, compared with 148,690,000 head a year ago.

The bulk of the nation's decreased meat supply is in the swine herd. Compared with last year the number of hogs in the United States has diminished 2,185,000 head; cattle 175,000 head and sheep 1,763,000 head. The major portion of the increased values is credited to the beef animals. The increased values of all cattle, including milk cows when compared with last year is \$166,688,000; swine have gained \$9,842,000 in value, while sheep have depreciated \$1,476,000.

The United States had far more provocation for intervention in Mexico than Austria-Hungary had for its peremptory attitude toward Serbia. The Mexican dictator, though very much of a beast, evinced certain marked ability and showed himself in command of greater resources than for which he was given any credit.

Now that practically all Europe has been plunged into war over a pretext that must be considered trifling, it is to be hoped that fair-minded Americans will begin to estimate more at their true value the wisdom and justice of that policy of watchful waiting that has proved so successful in President Wilson's handling of the Mexican question. It is infinitely to the credit of President Wilson and his advisers that notwithstanding the sneers and jeers of the empty-headed, the malevolent and the selfish interests that desired to exploit Mexico for the benefit of their own pockets, he refused to take advantage of the weakness of a sister republic, but adhered firmly to a line of action that was high-minded and patriotic. The fact is now generally recognized by intelligent Republicans that, contrasted with the bullying arrogance of Austria-Hungary, which has precipitated an uprising throughout Europe, President Wilson's course has shown the highest statesmanship, and his country has benefited immensely by his patience and tact. What a blessing to humanity if the example of our president could find imitators among the crowned heads of Europe.

And now, we presume, it was the tariff that started the war that drew American gold to Europe.

At open competitive bidding State Highway Commissioner Marker awarded two million dollars worth of contracts for better roads in various parts of the state.

## THE CHURCHES

**Methodist Episcopal Church**  
Sunday, August 23—10:30 a. m., preaching service. Theme: "Balaam, A Question of Conscience;" this is one of a series of sermons based on Biblical biographies; 11:30 a. m., Sunday school, D. R. Pelton, superintendent; 7 p. m., Epworth League service; Miss Maryleah Gish, leader; theme, "Missionary Work in Europe; this is a real live service of young people; 8 p. m., preaching service. "Messages of the Holy Spirit to Man."

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
Morning prayer and sermon at 10:30; Sunday school and adult Bible class at the close of the morning service. Rev. Wm. V. Edwards, rector.

**First Baptist Church**  
Aug. 23—10:30 a. m., Morning worship; subject, "Review of the Lord's Prayer;" 11:45 a. m., Bible school; 7 p. m., Young people's service; subject, "Knowing and Doing the Will of God."

**WADSWORTH**  
Harry Bauman was in Medina Tuesday, on a business trip.

Mrs. Catherine Kremer is spending the week with relatives in Akron.

Mrs. Harvey Houser is visiting her parents at Burbank.

Mrs. C. A. Bolich was a Sunday visitor at Camp Perry where Dr. Bolich is camping with the local militia boys.

Mrs. J. W. Daykin and daughter, Anne, were in Cleveland Saturday and Sunday attending the Woodward-Waters reunion at the home of William Ingham.

Rev. C. A. Mitchell attended the Chautauqua at Barborton several days this week and last.

Grant Barlet of Baker, Ore., is visiting his brothers, Nathan and Harry Barlet at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koppes were out-of-town guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Koppes and Mr. and Mrs. Uli Prince, Sunday and Monday.

Misses Ina and Retta Yockey have returned from their trip to Washington, D. C. and Virginia, where they visited their brother, Walter Yockey.

William J. Brown, 79, died at his home in Barborton, Tuesday from cancer of the throat and tongue. He has relatives living near Wadsworth, including a son at Sharon. Interment will be made in the Mt. Zion cemetery.

Local gridiron braves have begun practicing for the coming season's work in the field. The Imperials, first real practice on Tuesday night after having been previously been organized, and showed lots of peppe.

All the vacancies in the corps of teachers of our public schools have been filled except one, that formerly occupied by Miss Flora Speelman, the teacher of Latin and German in the high school. Miss Speelman's resignation has not been tendered to the board of education, but it is expected soon as she receives a contract from a school in Miles City, Montana, where she intends to go. The other high school position, left open by the resignation of Prof. Franklin Wirth, has been filled by a Mr. Henderson of Fredricksburg, a graduate of Wooster university.

Mrs. R. L. Johnson and daughters, Myra and Kathleen returned Tuesday from a week's stay with relatives in Vassar, Mich. Dr. Johnson, who joined them on Monday accompanied them home.

Frank Gamble of Warren is visiting his cousins, Wade and Dwight Hart this week.

The six-year-old daughter of John Wall is expected to recover from the injuries sustained when a heavy wagon passed over her chest and broke several bones Saturday.

Supt. of Schools, W. A. Elliot is in town this week.



Q.—Is there any Scriptural authority for the doctrine of Purgatory?

Answer.—The word "purgatory" is not found in the Bible. Nowhere in the Bible is there even a suggestion that any of the dead of the human family are now suffering, or that by torture they are being given any kind of instruction or experience. On the contrary, the Scriptures declare, "The dead know not anything." "His sons come to honor and he knoweth it not, and to dishonor, but he perceiveth it not." (Ecclesiastes 9:5; Job 14:21.) Incidentally, however, we remark, that the Bible teaching respecting the Millennial Kingdom of Christ, and the fact that in that time the world will have its great trial or day of judgment, suggests a thought slightly akin to that of purgatory. The Millennial Kingdom will be a time for purging mankind from their sins.

Q.—What is the use of putting forth an extra effort since the Apostles say it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that giveth mercy?—Romans 9:16.

Answer.—The Apostle here seems to mean that even though it be as a reward for "willing" and "running" that the Lord will give the crown of life to the overcomers, yet back of all this lies the fact that the Christian of himself could never intrinsically have merited such reward. It is necessary to first heed and receive all of God's mercy through Christ in the forgiveness of the sins that are past, and to heed the call to run the race for the glories promised, to be encouraged on the way and to still have the imputed merit of Christ's sacrifice to cover the blemishes of the Christian's best efforts. It is therefore by willing and by running that the prize is obtained; but it is not of our willing nor of our running, but of God's mercy. The Apostle recognizes the same distinction in the use of the prepositions "of" and "by" in 1 Corinthians 8:6—"To us there is but one God, of whom are all things, and by whom all things." God is the originator and author of our salvation, the one upon whom all depended; yet in His plan He lies with us to "work out our own salvation, with fear and trembling."

Q.—In Acts 1:12 we find the words, "The mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a Sabbath day's journey," and explain what is meant by a Sabbath day's journey." (Subscribers)

Answer.—The limitation of journey's taken on the seventh day of the week to 2,000 paces, three-fifths of a mile, is not of divine arrangement, but one of the "traditions of the elders." If it were a divine command, then, with the Sabbath day, it would still be in full force and its observance obligatory upon the Jews, but not upon the nations. We should modify this statement by the remark that there are some who mistakenly endeavor to be Jews and try to get under the Law Covenant provisions as Sabbath-keepers, etc. St. Paul recognized this tendency in his day. Note his words to the Christians of Galatia, who were not by nature Jews but Gentiles. He says, "Ye that desire to be under the Law, do ye not hear the law?" "Oh, foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you?" He proceeds to show them that the Jews are in bondage to their Law and can never get eternal life under it until the Mosaic Law Covenant shall ultimately be merged into the Messianic New Law Covenant.

Q.—Do any of the histories or ancient Egypt tell who built the great Pyramid? Some claim that King Rameses did. (R. B. J.)

Answer.—The ancients recounted seven wonders of the world, and at the very head of the list named the Great Pyramid of Gizeh. It is situated in Egypt, not far from the present city of Cairo. No other building in the world equals it in size. One of the leading granite men of this country, who made a personal inspection of the Great Pyramid, says: "There are blocks of stone in the Pyramid which weigh three or four times as much as one of the obelisks. I saw a stone whose estimated weight was 800 tons. There are stones in it thirty feet in length which fit so closely together that you may run a penknife over the surface without discovering the breaks between them. They are not laid with mortar, either. There is now no machinery so perfect that it will make two surfaces thirty feet in length which will meet together as these wonderful stones in the Great Pyramid meet." To remove it would require sixty thousand steam engines each drawing one hundred tons. The wealth of Egypt is not sufficient to pay laborers to demolish it. From these facts it is evident that, whoever was its great designer, he intended that it should be an enduring monument. When we consider how accurately its passages picture the plan of salvation, and how minutely even chronological features are marked in its inch measurements, it would not seem possible to suppose that any heathen was its builder. Egyptian history is too uncertain to give us any information. The pyramid states the date of its own construction as 2770 B. C. As Melethidek lived about this time, some have conjectured that he was its builder.

Advocates of Woman Suffrage Do Not Consider Temporary Check of September, 1912, Defeat of Their Cause.

In Cincinnati the twenty-eighth annual convention of the Ohio Woman Suffrage association meets at the Hotel Sinton this week.

The questions of most vital interest discussed are: What has been the progress of the suffrage association in the past year? What are the conditions that make a vote in 1914 seem wise? It is a meeting of earnest workers to talk over achievements and to plan for the next effort to gain political liberty for the women of Ohio.

"Why 1914?" has been asked repeatedly of the suffragists as they prepare to circulate the initiative petition.

"Why do you wish to go before the electorate of Ohio so soon after your defeat of a year ago?"

The suffragist answers promptly that she does not consider that temporary check a defeat for two reasons. First, less than 50 per cent of the electors of the state went to the polls, although that election on amendments to the constitution was one of the most momentous in the history of the state. Of the 50 per cent who did not vote in September, 1912, many were farmers. They were too busy to leave the farm at that time, and so the staunchest friends of the women were not counted. In view of this fact and because there was very little time to educate the people on this question of equal suffrage, to have won nearly a quarter of a million votes was in itself a victory, not a defeat. Second, Sept. 3, 1912, is not considered a day of defeat, for at that time hundreds of determined workers were added to the ranks of the suffrage association. And, many women who only believed in suffrage as an academic right before have now been educated into a "active working force."

## EXAMINATION SEPT. 28

The State Civil Service Commission will hold an examination of all its employees in the classified service at the court house on the morning of September 28, at 9 o'clock. This examination will be conducted by a special representative from the State Civil Service Commission and is non-competitive, being limited to only those who are now in the classified service.

The usual rule of the State Commission is to the effect that applications must be filed three days before the date of the examination does not apply in these non-competitive examinations.

Mrs. Harry McDonald of Alliance was in town Tuesday to attend the funeral of her uncle, VanBuren Maple.

—Willings Workers' Circle of King's Daughters met Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Jay Beedle's.

—Eloda Pelton entertained about 7 of her young friends Thursday afternoon, the occasion being the 10th anniversary of her birth.

—During the electrical storm Thursday morning a horse being driven by R. S. Hartman became frightened at a point just north of G. A. Smith's home on the Wadsworth road just over the corporation line and upset the carriage, throwing Mr. Hartman out and bruising him a little. The carriage was smashed up somewhat, but the horse was caught right away and Mr. Hartman was on his way again in a short time.

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## HOMERVILLE

Born to Walter Lane and wife on August 15, a daughter.

Jacob Drushal and family motored to Chippewa township Wednesday and visited the scenes of their childhood.

Chas. Green and family of Ashley are visiting his aunt, Mrs. Joe Park.

E. J. Nausel, Ed. Barone and two sons attended the Freyman reunion near Sharon Thursday.

Prof. Lehman, wife and daughter of Marshallville were in town house-

hunting Thursday. Mr. Lehman is the new school superintendent.

Jacob Esselman and wife spent several days with relatives in the western part of the state.

Mrs. Roy Dove and children are visiting relatives in West Virginia.

Mrs. Harsh and son Paul are visiting her sister in Columbus.

Elias Hanes and wife are guests of their son John and family of Lodi.

Miss May Leiby of Akron, spent a few days at her uncle's, E. L. Leiby last week.